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SACRAMENTO UPDATE

This memorandum provides an update of County-sponsored legislation signed by Governor Brown relating to the drawdown of Federal funds to provide medical treatment for detained minors and the Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System (LA-RICS); and the status of four County-advocacy bills and three County-interest measures acted on by the Governor.

Governor Brown has until October 9, 2011 to act on remaining measures passed by Legislature on or before September 9, 2011.

Status of County-Sponsored Legislation

County-sponsored AB 396 (Mitchell), which would allow counties and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to draw down Federal matching funds to reimburse them for the medical treatment of minors who are hospitalized outside of a juvenile detention facility for more than 24 hours, was signed by the Governor on October 2, 2011, and it is Chapter 394, Statutes of 2011. This measure becomes effective January 1, 2012.

County-sponsored AB 946 (Lowenthal), which would authorize the County of Los Angeles or the Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System (LA-RICS) Authority to procure a regional interoperable communications system by utilizing a solicitation process to award a contract for the design and build of a regional interoperable communications system and related infrastructure, was signed by the Governor on October 2, 2011, and it is Chapter 400, Statutes of 2011. AB 946 is an urgency measure and becomes effective immediately.

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Status of County-Advocacy Legislation

County-opposed AB 436 (Solorio), which would, among other provisions, allow the Director of the Department of Finance to authorize a loan not to exceed \$4.3 million from the Uninsured Employers Benefit Trust Fund to the State Public Works Enforcement Fund to meet the start-up needs of State Department of Industrial Relations compliance monitoring unit, was signed by the Governor on September 30, 2011, and it is Chapter 378, Statutes of 2011. This measure becomes effective January 1, 2012.

County-supported AB 1350 (Lara), which would require county auditors to verify that property tax rate increases, or extensions, proposed by a local government to fund pension programs approved by voters do not exceed the maximum rate authorized by law, was signed by the Governor on October 2, 2011, and it is Chapter 428, Statutes of 2011. This measure becomes effective January 1, 2012.

County-supported SB 33 (Simitian), which would repeal the January 1, 2013 sunset date and make provisions established by SB 1018 (Chapter 140, Statutes of 2005) that expanded the scope of the Elder Abuse and Dependent Adult Civil Protection Act to include officers and employees of financial institutions as mandated reporters of financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult, was signed by the Governor on September 30, 2011, and it is Chapter 372, Statutes of 2011. This measure becomes effective January 1, 2012.

County-supported SB 194 (Governance and Finance Committee), the Local Government Omnibus Bill, contains two County-sponsored provisions which would: 1) authorize a county, subject to the approval of its board of supervisors, to accept a payment of a donation, gift, bequest or devise made to or in favor of a county, or to or in favor of the board of supervisors of a county, by credit card, debit card, or electronic funds transfer; and 2) raise the dollar limit on county highway contracts change orders from \$150,000 to \$210,000, was signed by the Governor on September 30, 2011, and it is Chapter 382, Statutes of 2011. This bill becomes effective on January 1, 2012.

Legislation of County Interest

AB 900 (Buchanan), which would enact the Jobs and Economic Improvement through Environmental Leadership Act of 2011 and establish expedited judicial review of the Environmental Impact Report and approval of projects related to the development of a residential, retail, commercial, sports, cultural, entertainment, recreational use, clean renewable energy, or clean energy manufacturing projects, was signed by the Governor on September 27, 2011, and it is Chapter 354, Statutes of 2011. This measure becomes effective January 1, 2012.

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SB 292 (Padilla), which would expedite the judicial review of the Environmental Impact Report for the modernization of the Los Angeles Convention Center and Farmers Field Project, was signed by the Governor on September 27, 2011, and it is Chapter 353, Statutes of 2011. This measure becomes effective January 1, 2012.

SB 386 (Harman), which would require the California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR) to post on its internet website, at least 30 days prior to the closure of a State park to public access, specified information on the State park closure, including information on how to contact CDPR in writing if an individual or other party is interested in entering into negotiations with CDPR for a contract to lease, operate, maintain or provide concessions at a State park that is proposed to be closed, was vetoed by Governor Brown on September 21, 2011.

The Governor's veto message indicates that the bill would order State Park staff to put certain information on the internet and answer inquiries about park closures, which is a good idea but not one that needs to be law.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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